



# The Kite That Got Loose

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Reading Level: Grade 1

VCe (silent-e) words where the vowel says its name

**Words to watch for:** Rose, kite, huge, stone, pine

Before you start: Have you ever flown a kite? What happened?



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Rose made a huge purple kite with a long, white tail. "This one will fly the highest!" she said.



She raced to the wide hilltop. The wind grabbed the kite and it rose, rose, rose!



The string pulled hard. Rose gripped tight — but the line broke! SNAP!



The kite dove and dipped. It sailed over the stone bridge and past the fire station.



Rose chased it down the lane. The kite snagged on a pine tree. "I can get it!" She climbed up.



The branch shook. The kite popped free and rode the wind again. "Oh, come on!" Rose groaned.



She sprinted to the lake just as the kite glided down and landed on the nose of a stone statue.



Rose plucked the kite free and hugged it. "No more solo flights," she told it. The kite fluttered in the breeze.

# Reading Guide

For Parents & Teachers

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## HOW TO READ THIS TOGETHER

- This story is an adventure — map the kite’s journey: hilltop → bridge → fire station → lane → pine tree → lake → statue. Ask your child to retell it.
- Point out that ‘Rose’ and ‘rose’ (went up) are spelled the same — context tells us which meaning!

## BEFORE READING

- Have you ever flown a kite? What happened?
- Let’s look for silent-e words together as we read.

## DURING READING

- (Page 3) The string broke! What do you think will happen to the kite?
- (Page 5) Rose is climbing a tree! Is that a good idea?
- (Page 7) Where did the kite land? That’s a funny spot!

## AFTER READING

- How many places did the kite go before Rose caught it?
- Can you find six silent-e words? Let’s list them together.

## PHONICS FOCUS

VCe (silent-e) words where the vowel says its name

**Practice words:** Rose, kite, huge, stone, pine

## FOR PARENTS

This story is rich with VCe words: Rose, kite, made, huge, wide, rose, broke, rode, pine, stone, nose, glide. The magic-e pattern is one of the most important patterns for reading longer texts.

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